Applicant: P. Stark et al. Application No. 10/814,293

## **REMARKS**

This amendment is submitted on the same date as the Appeal Brief. Applicants respectfully request entry of the cancellation of claims 10-14. Following entry of this amendment, claims 1-9 and 15-32 remain pending. According to 37 C.F.R. § 41.33(b)(1):

Amendments filed on or after the date of filing a brief pursuant to § 41.37 may be admitted: (1) To cancel claims, where such cancellation does not affect the scope of any other pending claim in the proceeding.

The cancellation of claims 10-14 does not affect the scope of any other pending claim in the proceeding because none of the remaining claims depend directly or indirectly from any of claims 10-14. Therefore, entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Finally, if there are any additional charges in connection with this amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's deposit account number 50-1943 therefor.

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